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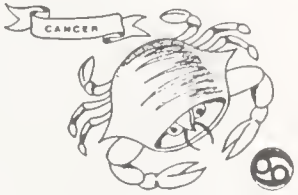

Lee Grossman will explain all about Canada's Victory Nickels in the August issue of TNA NEWS.

1st REMEMBER — The of August is the deadline for the September issue

LLOYD C. COLVIN

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Thank you Dallas for the excellent convention! Thanks to all outgoing officers, governors, TNA representatives, etc. Welcome to those new to our TNA Board. We will expect all to do the job of building our organization. Our goal – a hard one, however, one that is attainable if all contribute a fair share of one word called "TIME." That goal is 500 new members in our first year. Will you sit on the sidelines and watch or will your name be listed in each and every TNA NEWS as bringing in new members?

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All of you, collectors and dealers, must be alert to the ever mounting pressure for more local and state legislation that could end most coin shows and conventions. Some legislation that would deter crooks and con artists is probably warranted; however, those laws that would infringe upon the God given right and our own Constitutional right to meet together to converse, attend seminars, buy, sell or trade with each other must be fought with our time, our money and with legal objections where warranted. Talk to your local officials, state reps and senators. If legislation is contemplated – add your input! Let your cries be so loud that they will be heard! Let us perpetuate our non-profit organization, and build on our pillars of the past. To all those officers, past governors, reps and the entire membership, won't you join with your TNA president at our next convention in Ft. Worth, where we can say, "Wasn't this a beautiful and great year!"

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Summertime! A great time for the outdoors. Why not invite a friend over for a bar-b-cue and discuss the collecting hobby, and then invite him to join TNA. Local clubs might plan an outdoor meeting, with hot dogs, etc., or let everyone bring a selected dish. Invite personally past members and increase the membership in your club. Have an excellent talk in an area that would be pleasing and beneficial to the entire membership. Don't forget the juniors and don't forget the spouses. Let all enjoy the fun and the education.

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Have you as an officer, a governor, a rep or as a member invited others to join TNA? We need your support. We need your suggestions. Write us. Answering your letters will be a

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Salute to Mexico

MEXICAN HEROES ON COINS

By Lee Grossman,
San Antonio, Tex

"THE GEORGE WASHINGTON OF MEXICO." The padre rang the church bell to signal Mexican independence from Spain in 1810 and the tolling of the bell started the fall of the Spanish empire in all southwest United States, Mexico, Central and South America. This gallant leader led Mexico in its successful war of independence. Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla was the first patriot and leader to be honored on Mexican coinage. His strong sermon against the Spanish regime on Sept. 16, 1810, from his church in Delores (now known as the "Grito de Dolores" – the Cry of Dolores), was the spark that ignited the revolution. He himself was ambushed and captured in 1811, and was shot by the Spanish.

He appears on eight coins and three banknotes in addition to two patterns.

The 5 pesos, issued 1951 through 1954, is 40mm, weighs 27.777 grams and is .720 silver. The 5 pesos (Bicentennial) issued in 1953 is 40mm, 27., 1720 silver and was designed by Manuel L. Negrete. The 5 pesos (Chico) issued in 1955-56-57 is 36mm, weighs 18.055 grams and is .720 silver. The 10 pesos, issued in 1955-56, is called the Hidalgo Grande, and is 40mm, weighs 28.888 grams, and is .900 silver. The 2½ pesos gold was issued in 1918-20 and 1944-48. During 1951 through 1959, 920,000 were restruck dated 1945. It is 15.5mm, weighs 2.083 grams and is .900 gold.

The 5 pesos, issued 1905-07, 1910, 1918-20, 1918 over 7, restrikes dated 1955 but issued in 1956, 1957 and 1959. It is 19mm, weighs 4.166 grams, and is .900 gold. Of the 4.6 million struck in 1906, 4 million were struck at the Philadelphia Mint. The 10 pesos issued 1905-08, 1910, 1916-17, 1919-20 and 1959 is 22.5mm, weighs 8.333 grams and is .900 gold. In 1906 one million of the 2.9 million issued were struck at the Philadelphia Mint. The 7-

The ten pesos coin issued by Mexico in 1960 honored Hidalgo and Madero

In 1953 Mexico issued a commemorative coin to honor Hidalgo named "The Father of Mexico"

sided 10 pesos, issued from 1974 to the present, is 30.4mm, weighs 10 grams and is cupro-nickel. Two patterns were minted. Both were struck in 1892 and the assayer's initials are AM. The 10 and 20 pesos are in about .900 gold.

A 10 pesos note with Hidalgo to the right was first issued on Sept. 16, 1969. A 100 pesos note in brown with Hidalgo at the left, was issued Aug. 20, 1958.

JOSE MORELOS Y PAVON

"THE GREAT GENERAL" in Mexico's war against Spain. Jose Morelos y Pavon had terrible migraine headaches and is always pictured with a bandana tightly bound around his head so the pain would be alleviated. He sided with Father Hidalgo in the war against Spain in 1810. He was also a priest and a pupil of Hidalgo. He headed the insurgent army that fought in the southern Mexican provinces from 1811 to 1814. He was finally captured in November of 1815, tried before the inquisition, and executed in December of that year.

He appears on five coins, two banknotes and two patterns. The 1 peso, issued in 1947-49, is 32mm, weighs 14 grams and is .500 silver. The 1 peso, issued in 1950, is 32mm, weighs 13.333 grams and is .300 silver. The 1 peso, issued 1957 through 1967, is 34.5mm, weighs 16 grams and is .100 silver. The 1 peso issued since 1970, is 29mm, weighs 10 grams and is copper-nickel. The 100 pesos, issued 1977-78, is 39mm, weighs 27.77 grams and is .720 silver.

Two patterns were minted. The first was issued in 1936 and was in .720 silver. The second was also a 1 peso but was dated 1947 and was in .720 silver.

A 20 pesos note (in red) with Morelos at the right, was first issued on Dec. 29, 1972. A 500 pesos note with Morelos at the right was issued

JUAREZ

MORELOS

Jan. 25, 1961

JOSEFA ORTIZ DE DOMINGUEZ

Josefa Ortiz de Dominguez was the wife of the Spanish-Colonial Governor of Mexico at the time when the insurrection broke out against Spain. Both she and her husband were in sympathy with the independence movement. When he was finally forced to act against the revolutionists in 1810, she managed to notify Hidalgo and other rebel leaders of the impending danger to themselves and their plans. She was subsequently arrested and tried a number of times, and imprisoned until June 17, 1817, when a new governor pardoned her. She died alone and forgotten in extreme poverty in 1829. Her acts of heroism remained unnoticed for many years. Not until 1894 was Dona Josefa honored belatedly by a grateful country. In 1942, for the first time in Mexico, a woman was honored by having her effigy placed on a coin of the realm.

Her portrait appears on five coins and two banknotes. The 5 centavos issued from 1942 to 1946, is 25.5mm, weighs 6.5 grams and is .950 copper. The 5 centavos of 1950, is 20.5mm, weighs 4 grams and is .750 copper and .250 nickel. In 1951, the 1942-46 series was resumed until 1955. The 5 centavos, issued 1954 through 1969, is 20.5mm, weighs 4 grams, is .850 copper and .150 zinc, and the 5 centavos, issued 1970 through 1976, is 18mm, weighs 2.5 grams, and is .850 copper and .50 zinc.

A 5 pesos note with "La Corregidore" (The Corrector) to the right was first issued in brown on Dec. 3, 1969. A 20 pesos note was issued Aug. 20, 1958, with Senora Dominguez at the left.

BENITO JUAREZ

Benito Juarez was called "The Abraham Lincoln of Mexico." Best known as the man who freed the poor of Mexico. A greatly revered Mexican president. Born a full-blooded Zapotec Indian, he was self-educated and worked his whole life for the poor of Mexico. He was the Minister of Justice when the Constitution of 1857 was adopted. He became president, and occupied that position during the French intervention. He spearheaded the opposition to impose Emperor Maximilian. After the withdrawal of the French forces and the capture and execution of Maximilian in 1867, Juarez was twice re-elected president. He died in office in 1872.

He appears on five coins and a bank note. The 10 centavos, issued 1955-57, 1959, 1966 and 1967, is 23.5mm, weighs 5.5 grams and is .950 copper. The 1 peso, issued in 1957, is 34.5mm, weighs 16 grams and is .100 silver. The 5 pesos, also issued in 1957, is 36mm, weighs 18.055 grams, and is .720 silver. The 10 pesos, issued

CUAUHTEMOC

in 1957, is 40mm, weighs 28.888 grams and is 900 silver. The 1957 coinage was designed by Manuel Negrete. The 25 pesos, issued in 1972, is 38mm, weighs 22.50 grams, and is 720 silver.

A 50 pesos note, in blue, with Juarez at the right, was first issued July 18, 1973.

FRANCISCO MADERO

Francisco Madero was a liberal land-owner and one of Mexico's most gallant and beloved presidents. He was defeated in an election in 1910 by President Porfirio Diaz – the dictator of Mexico. He was instrumental in starting the revolutionary war, and was later president in 1911. He stressed land reform and human rights in Mexico. Unable to carry out his reforms, the fighting began soon afterwards between strong rival factions. Madero was taken into custody and shot in 1913.

He is depicted on three coins. The 20 centavos is 20mm, weighs 3 grams, and is cupronickel. The 25 centavos, issued in 1964 and 1966 is 23mm, weighs 5.50 grams, and is cupronickel. He is also on the 10 pesos Hidalgo-Madero commemorative, issued in 1960, is 40mm, weighs 28.888 grams, and is 900 silver. The latter coin was designed by Manuel L. Negrete.

VENUSTIANO CARRANZA

Venustiano Carranza, Revolutionary War hero and president, led the Constitutional forces to overthrow the government in 1915. He called a Congress in 1917, which adopted the present Mexican Constitution. He was elected to the highest office in 1917, and served as President until his assassination in 1920 at the age of 61 years.

He is pictured on one coin and a bank note. The 5 pesos, issued in 1959 to commemorate the centennial of his birth, is 36mm, weighs 18.055 grams, and is .720 silver. The coin was designed by Manuel L. Negrete.

The 100 pesos note, in violet, with Carranza to the right, was first issued on May 30, 1976.

VICENTE GUERRERO

In 1814, Father Jose Maria Morelos y Pavon proclaimed a republic in Mexico, independent of Spain. A year later, Morelos and his army were defeated by Royalist forces under Agustin de Iturbide, a Creole general. The revolution for independence, which was started by Hidalgo, continued under Vicente Guerrero, who headed a comparatively small army.

The Spanish revolution of 1820 altered the rebellion in Mexico. Liberal political tendencies in Spain dismayed the conservative Mexican leaders, who themselves began an intrigue designed to separate the viceroyalty from Spain. On their behalf, Iturbide met Guerrero in 1821 and signed an agreement by which the two factions combined forces to bring about independence. A turbulant period ensued. In 1822, by a coup d'etat, Iturbide made himself Emperor Agustin I, but was deposed ten months later by a revolt led by Santa Anna, his former aide. A republic was proclaimed and Guadalupe Victoria became the first president. A struggle between liberals and conservatives ensued. Guerrero, a liberal leader, became president in 1829, but he was shot to death in 1831 at the age of 48, by the forces of Anastacio Bustamente.

He is depicted on the 5 pesos issued since 1971, which is 34.5mm weighs 16 grams, and is .750 copper and .250 nickel.

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Cuauhtemoc was Chief of the Aztecs, who surrendered after short battles with Cortes, and the country of Mexico and all the southwestern part of the United States became Spain's possession. He was the last great chief of the Aztecs. He tried unsuccessfully to unite the Indian city-states against the Spanish Conquistadores. After a courageous defense of the capital city, Tenochtitlan, he was captured in 1521. By order of Cortes, he was subsequently hanged for treason.

He is shown on five coins, a bank note and a pattern. The 50 centavos, issued in 1950-51, is 26mm, weighs 6.666 grams, and is .300 silver; the 50 centavos, issued in 1955-57, and 1959, is 33mm, weighs 14 grams, and is .950 copper. The 50 centavos, issued 1964 through 1969, is 25mm, weighs 6.50 grams, and is 75% copper and 25% nickel. The 50 centavos, issued since 1970, is 25mm, weighs 6.50 grams, and is cupronickel, and the 5 pesos, issued in 1947-48, is 40mm, weighs 30 grams and is .900 fine silver.

A small bronze 50 centavos pattern, dated 1950, exists. A 1000 peso note, with the Chief at the right, was issued March 18, 1959.

In 1848, the discovery of gold in California added half-a-million people to the Territory. No single event had a greater influence in shaping our western seaboard.

Mexico's Influence In Coin History

Mexico's influence in coin history began with the establishment of their Casa de Moneda, the oldest mint in the Western Hemisphere. Begun in 1535, its influence has in many cases set the standard for minting for the rest of the world.

By 1572, with the minting of the famous silver "pieces of eight," the Mexican mint had produced more than enough coins to fill the needs of Spain and Mexico, and the Mexican peso embarked on its international journey through the west from Spain, and to the Far East from Acapulco.

By the end of the 16th century, the Mexican peso was in general use in South China as a result of tea and silk traded through Manila. Use of Mexican coins in the Far East continued for centuries, and in the mid-19th century there was a time when there was more Mexican pesos in China than Mexico. The first Mexican gold coins, irregular shaped pieces called "cobs," were minted in 1669 and widely circulated as common coins of trade.

Today, the Casa de Moneda continues to provide American numismatists with coins that reflect the rich history and tradition of the mint. The fine workmanship of the Casa de Moneda can be seen in coins like the Mexican 20 pesos gold bullion piece, or "Azteca," which features the handsomely detailed Aztec calendar stone, an ancient symbol of the history of the world.

In 1900, the United States became the last major country to adopt a gold standard.

MIRIAM GILMORE

THE UNCOMFORTABLE CHAIR

EDITOR

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When Queen Elizabeth gave her formal approval for the marriage of Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer, she also gave the Royal Mint authority to design a commemorative crown. Sir Geoffrey Howe, Great Britain's chancellor of the exchecquer, announced the plans to design a wedding crown.

The coin will be issued in cupronickel as a circulating coin valued at 25 pence, its face value. Uncirculated samples in special packing and a limited edition of sterling proof crowns will also be sold. No designer has been chosen, nor has the date of issue been fixed, but the mint is counting on issuing the coins in time for the July wedding.

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When a large department store advertised for extra cashiers during a holiday a great many applicants responded. The personnel director gave each one a $100 bill, told him or her to assume a $37 sale and requested $63 change in six bills with no singles. Those applicants who came up with the correct bills within 30 seconds were hired. would you have been? Let us know we'll give you the answer next month.

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Billions in lost treasure is waiting for you. That's the exciting word from Peggy Hardigree in her new book "Strike It Rich Treasure Hunting With Metal Detectors." Just a few of the rare finds include an 1855 gold coin found at the site of an old racetrack by an Idaho man. The coin is valued at $300,000 . a nurse in California found 150,000 coins over the past eight years and after paying for a car, socked away coins worth over $20,000 another Californian unearthed a silver shilling dated 1652 two Florida brothers stumbled onto a hoard of gold nuggets weighing two pounds and worth at least $10,000 and a St Louis man recently found a copper pot holding several hundred gold coins dating back to the 1870s Peggy estimates that $4 billion in treasure is still waiting to be found Happy Hunting!

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CONGRATULATIONS! to Dr Robert Greenwood, Austin District 4 governor on his retirement as a Professor at the University of Texas our thoughts

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Junior Readin' Roundup

Texas Numismatic Assn.

Andy Almquist, Youth Chairman

1107 Curlew San Antonio Tx 78213 512 341-8499

My name is Andy Almquist. At the TNA convention, President Lloyd Colvin appointed me as your new youth chairman. I hope to do as well as my predecessor, Linda Runkle, in keeping up the TNA junior program. To do this, I will need your help. I hope to receive letters from junior members across the state, telling what their clubs have been doing for the juniors.

I live in San Antonio and belong to both the Alamo and Gateway Coin Clubs. Gateway has a junior representative to the council meetings, and also has special junior auctions once in awhile in which only junior members may bid for and purchase items for auction.

Alamo club does not have many special features for juniors, but concentrates on giving everyone equal benefits.

At the TNA convention I exhibited and won both junior and novice awards. The prizes were silver plated hors d'oeuvres platters with dip bowls of glass. I encourage you to be planning an exhibit for your local show and the TNA convention in 1982.

Newfoundland City Issues Souvenir "Trade Dollar"

The Corner Brook, Newfoundland Chamber of Commerce has issued a souvenir "Trade Dollar" in celebration of the city's Silver Jubilee. The souvenir dollar was minted by The Sherritt Mint in Ontario in 33mm nickel bonded steel and has the city's Silver Jubilee Anniversary emblem on one side, and the traditional Newfoundland Dog on the other. The coins will be legal tender in the city of Corner Brook until Sept. 7 and have a value of one dollar.

Newfoundland, a former British colony, was the last province to join the Canadian Confederation. Corner Brook is the second largest city in Newfoundland and is situated on the west coast of the island with a population of approximately 30,000.

The souvenirs are available at $1.25 each, postage paid, from The Chamber of Commerce, Box 475, Herald Tower, Corner Brook, Newfoundland A2H 6E6.

from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

Eleanor Kennady
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Austin, Tex. 78757
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WELCOME to new members 3914-3963 and Chapter 189 New Mexico Coin Dealers Association If approved, the following will become members Aug 1, 1981

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3983 (D-10) Richard D Worthington 540 Lepic Ll Paso TX 79912 Foreign

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from the treasurer

Texas Numismatic Association

Stanford M. Kennady

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Balance on hand as of April 30, 1981			$6,953.92
RECEIPTS			
TNA Dues		226.00	
Sale of 1981 Convention Medals		2,004.95	2,230.95
			9,184.87
DISBURSEMENTS			
TNA Secretary - April payment		150.00	
TNA News Editor - May travel allowance and April petty cash		177.30	
Kwik Kopy - copies of annual reports		14.91	
Annual Awards - Junior & Outstanding Governor		46.50	
Central Forwarding, Inc. - 6 mos. case storage		364.80	
Banner Printing Co		1,514.66	
April issue - 1200 copies	930.00		
Engraving	10.00		
Handling	50.00		
Postage	126.16		
Printing Mini-TNA News	398.50		2,268.17
			6,916.70
Balance on hand as of May 31, 1981			6,916.70
*Operating funds		6,820.81*	
*Encumbered funds		95.89*	

NOTE: The following funds cannot be used for anything except the purposes for which they are encumbered. The balance above includes these funds except as noted below.

TNA Memorial Library Fund as of May 31, 1981	95.89
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JULY 18-19

NORTHLINE COIN CLUB annual show, Holiday Inn, 3702 North Belt E., Houston **BOURSE**: Milton Dove, Box 92146, Houston 77206

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JULY 26

DAL-WORTH COIN & STAMP CLUB, 1-day show, Rodeway Inn, Dallas - Ft. Worth Toll Rd. & Hiway 360 **WRITE**: Joe Wade, 6420 Diamond Loch, Ft. Worth 76118.

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JULY 28-AUGUST 2

AMERICAN NUMISMATIC ASSN., annual convention, Rivergate Convention Center, New Orleans, La.

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JULY 31—AUG. 1-2

SPANISH TRAIL COLLECTOR'S CLUB, 13th annual show, Bassett Rodeway Inn, El Paso. **BOURSE**: Frank Fox, 8108 Newland, El Paso 79907.

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AUGUST 1-2

BELLAIRE COIN CLUB, annual show, Community Center, 7000 S. Rice. **WRITE**: Club, Box 303, Bellaire 77401

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AUGUST 8-9

DALLAS COIN DEALERS ASSN., show Northtown Shopping Center Mall, LBJ (1635) & Webb Chapel, Dallas **WRITE**: DCDA, 2901 Valley View # 122, Dallas 75234

AUGUST 8-9

ARK-LA-TEX COIN EXHIBITION, Civic Center, Fant Parkway, Shreveport, La. **WRITE**: Dale Shaw, Shreveport Coin Club, Box 4925, Shreveport, La. 71104.

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AUGUST 22-23

VICTORIA NUMISMATIC CLUB, 20th annual show, Community Center Annex, 2905 E. North. **BOURSE**: Graves L. Rouse, Box 1183, Victoria 77901.

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AUGUST 29-30

CAPITAL CITY COIN CLUB, annual show, Quality Inn South, 2200 S. Interstate 35, Austin **BOURSE**: Fred McCoy, 8709 Southview Rd., Austin 78737

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SEPTEMBER 11-13

NEW MEXICO COIN DEALER'S ASSN., 2nd annual show, Albuquerque Hilton Inn, Albuquerque, N.M. **BOURSE**: NMCDA, Box 3622, Albuquerque, N.M. 87190

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SEPTEMBER 12-13

SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB, 21st annual show, San Angelo Convention Center **WRITE**: Bourse Chairman, Box 2414, San Angelo 76902

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SEPTEMBER 16-19

SOCIEDAD NUMISMATICA de MONTERREY, 2nd convention (No location given.) **WRITE**: SN de M, A.C., Apartado Postal 422, Monterrey, N.L., Mexico.

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TEXAS District Meetings

DISTRICT I –

Making up the nominating committee to elect new officers for **Stephenville Coin Club** are Charlie Wartes, Bill Stem and Phil Davis. Members met at Red Bandana Steak House for their two May meetings with an average attendance of 25. Other business on the agenda was discussion of a coin show. Morris Johnson, Davis and Mary Miller volunteered to begin plans.

Johnson and Richard Cook represented the club at the TNA convention in Dallas and presented members with an Honorable Mention in the Club Salute contest. · **Mary Miller, Sec.**

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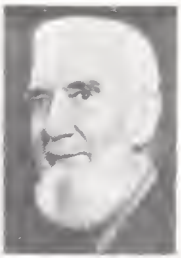
DISTRICT IV –



Robert E. Greenwood
Governor

Eighteen members and guests were present for the May meeting of **Austin Coin Club**. Reports were given on the TNA convention. Members voted to again provide the Club Salute awards for 1982.

Dr. Robert Greenwood gave a program on the U.S. mints. It was announced that the secretary had received notice that the club would receive a 25-year membership award at the ANA convention to be held in New Orleans. · **Lyman C. Bartee, Sec.**

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The regular meeting of **Waco Coin Club** was held in May at T.P. & L. Service Center. Following the business session, an auction and bourse were held. · **J. P. Jones, Sec.**

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DISTRICT V –

Barney Welch
Governor

Col. Charles A. Wingo gave a talk concerning paper money at the May meeting of **Garland Coin Club** held at Garland Women's Building. Wingo pointed out several facets of interest to collectors of paper money and illustrated his talk by showing examples which he has found. Among these were serial numbers ending in 1982 and 1492. Some of the errors shown were off-center margins, no Federal Reserve Seal, and mismatched serial numbers, for example, "U47" on one side and "U37" on the other side.

TNA Club Representative Billy Gilbreath gave a report on the Saturday morning meeting held during the TNA convention in Dallas, stating that the goal for this year is 500 new members. Vice President Spann presented an ANA Educational Award to George Johnson for his program on "Trade

Dollars of the World" Lucretia Johnson won the door prize and C. C Andrews conducted the auction - **Lucretia Johnson, Sec.**

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At a recent meeting of **Dallas Coin Club**, George Johnson spoke on "World Trade Dollars" and showed a slide program of many trade dollars from different lands and discussed each coin. He stated that a Trade dollar is a standard of hard money exchange accepted for trade by merchants.

Twenty three members and one guest were present. Mickey McQuire won the door prize. - **Frank Clark, Sec.**

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DISTRICT VI –

A re-organizational meeting of **Northline Coin Club** of Houston was held in April at the American Legion Post # 560. One item of business was whether the club name would be changed to **International Coin Club**

The annual show will be held July 18-19 at Holiday Inn, 3702 North Belt E. Dennis Hruby is show chairman and Milton Dove is bourse chairman. Phone 713/445-8625 or 694-0704 for more information

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Greater Houston Coin Club will hold its 25th annual "Money Show" Jan. 29-31 at Adam's Mark Hotel. A major auction is being contemplated in combination with the show. Both U.S. and world coins and currencies will be displayed for sale by numerous dealers from all parts of the U.S. and some foreign countries. Inquiries should be addressed to Melvin L. Neal, bourse chairman, 3026 Barberry, Houston 77051

During a recent meeting, John and Mellie Zanders gave a presentation on Philippine numismatics which integrated the politics and the history of that country with its changing coinage. Bill Chase won the door prize. - **John Zanders & Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT VII –

Frank Galindo
Governor

Junior club member and newly appointed TNA youth chairman, Andy Almquist, received his two exhibit awards he received at the TNA convention since he could not be in Dallas for that weekend, and Miriam and Wally Gilmore were presented Honorary Life memberships during the May 7 meeting of **Gateway Coin Club** of San Antonio. The Gilmores had donated their personal numismatic library which created the club's new library.

At the May 7 meeting, Eddie Vasquez presented a program on collecting Chinese coins and the use of the club's library to help members in their numismatic research as he did. During the May 21 meeting, Karla Galindo presented a film strip and cassette tape on the story of gold.

Rita Holmes announced that she had obtained $723.00 worth of numismatic donations for the KLRN public television auction, as well as 93 hours of time credited to the club in volunteer work. The station will provide educational advertising for the club show in February. Karla

Galindo, Sec.

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Members of **Alamo Coin Club** of San Antonio were brought up to date by Bob Medlar on the Texas legislation affecting dealers and collectors at the May 28 meeting. His talk was followed with a program by Ray Walker on the first U.S. small cent, the Flying Eagle.

At the previous meeting, May 14, new officers were installed by Frank Galindo, TNA governor of Dist. 7. Reports on the TNA convention were also given. · **Club Bulletin.**

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DISTRICT VIII –

Joe B Davis
Governor

Planned for the June 2 meeting of **Corpus Christi Coin Club** was a program on MASADA and the coins and medals that relate to this activity were to be shown, supplemented with Amber Littrell's collection of modern Israel coins. Recently a television special on MASADA was featured on national television. MASADA was the Israel fortress where Jewish patriots made a heroic stand, holding out against the Romans for three years after the fall of Jerusalem in the year 70 A.D. The Jews were then dispensed all over the world, only to be reunited by the League of Nations in 1948.

On May 19 club members joined for a dinner meeting at the Sirloin Stockade for installation of officers. Joe B. Davis, TNA governor of Dist. 8, conducted the installation service. · **Club Bulletin.**

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Games Night was planned for the May 29 meeting of **Liberty Coin Club** of Corpus Christi. Joe and Ouida Davis reported on the TNA convention in Dallas at the May 12 meeting. An auction was held. · **Club Bulletin.**

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Victoria Numismatic Club met on May 21 and finalized plans for the striking of a medal to commemorate the 20th annual coin show on Aug. 22-23. One hundred silver and 500 antique bronze medals will be struck. The silver medal will contain one troy oz.

For bourse reservations at the show, contact Graves L. Rouse, Box 1183, Victoria 77901. · **Helen McKamey, Sec.**

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DISTRICT IX –

D O Joplin
Governor

D. O. Joplin and E. L. Pitzer gave reports on the TNA convention in Dallas at the May 26 meeting of **Lamb County Coin Club** of Littlefield. Eight were present.

Kurt McEaney planned to give the program at the June meeting. Mrs. Gus Clark furnished refreshments for the social hour. Joplin won the door prize. · **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9**

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Levelland Coin Club members voted to not sponsor a coin show in 1981 due to attendance being so low.

A drawing for ten silver dollars will

be held in September to raise funds for club use. Donation tickets will be available soon. · **D. O. Joplin, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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DISTRICT X –

Walt Woelper
Governor

New officers for **International Coin Club** of El Paso are Richard Worthington, president; Willie Terrazas, vice president; Donald Lau, secretary; Al Aranda, treasurer; and Sgt.-At-Arms, "Smokey" Katzaman. Directors are Jim Thomas, John Berger, Norman White and Porfirio Montes.

Show chairman for the 1982 show is Walt Woelper. The show will be held the first weekend in February. · **Walt Woelper, Gov. Dist. 10.**

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The 12th annual **Spanish Trail Collectors Club** show will be held at Bassett Rodeway Inn on July 31-Aug. 1-2 in El Paso.

The University of Texas (El Paso) scholarship was awarded in May 1981 by former TNA district governor, John Berger · **Walt Woelper, Gov. Dist. 10.**

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DISTRICT XI –

Nela Runkle
Governor

Franky Hill of Borger presented a program on silver dollars investments, while Loella Lacefield presented information concerning availability of postage stamps at area post offices at the May 21 meeting of **Hutchinson Stamp & Coin Club.** The meeting was held in Opportunities Center in Borger. Discussion was held on holding a Collectors' Show in September.

Members planned to visit the **Amarillo Golden Spread Stamp Club** on June 18 and the **Amarillo Coin Club** July 6. The club is affiliated with the Texas Philatelic Assn. and the Texas Numismatic Assn. · **Eck Spahich, Reporter, & Nela Runkle, Gov. Dist. 11**

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Amarillo Coin Club met May 4 at First National Bank with 47 members present. Ten members of the club had attended the TNA convention in Dallas the weekend before.

Jim Jordan presented a program on "American Bank Note Co." Winners of door prizes were Jack Pearson, Art Cox, Charles Taylor, Lisa Thompson and Taylor Holland. · **Nela Runkle, Gov. Dist. 11.**

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Emmett Hudson gave a program on gold coins and bullion gold as an investment and collectors hobby at the May 16 meeting of **Dalhart Coin & Gun Club.**

The club has approximately 50 members and meets at Citizens State

8ank. · Nela Runkle, Gov. Dist. 11

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DISTRICT XIII –

James Talley presided at the May 21 meeting of **Wichita Falls Stamp & Coin Club** meeting with 28 members present. Bob Masirovits joined the club.

Logan Essex presented a program on "Grading Coins." He explained the ANA grading system, authentications service and ANACS grading service.

After a refreshment break, Jack Pemberton conducted the auction. · **Rebecca Pemberton, Sec.**

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DISTRICT XV –

Jerry A. Williams
Governor

Jerry Williams gave a report on the TNA convention at the May meeting of **Greater Orange Coin Club**. He said that a few bills concerning coin collecting were up for adoption. Jerry also stressed that the club should work on the Club Salute award for 1982.

Door prize winners were Dewey Scott, Lucy Canter, Williams and Dale Schmidt. Doug Hales conducted the auction · **Lucy Canter, Sec.**

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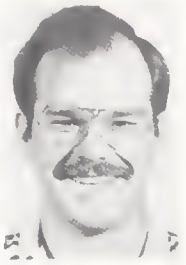
DISTRICT XVI –



John Huntley
Governor

John D. Huntley, newly elected TNA governor of Dist. 16, has plans to organize a coin club at Texas A & M University and hopes to have it in "full swing" by this fall.

Anyone interested in assisting John should contact him at 8ox 4104, 8ryan 77801 or phone 713/846-8916.

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE —

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pleasure.

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Our coin market seems strong in most areas, with only the bullion side adversely affected. A stronger dollar overseas with high interest rates have contributed to our bullion fall. This might just be that right time to add some bullion to your investment portfolio. Most communities have fine reputable dealers who will be willing to discuss coins for your collection or as an investment hedge.

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By the way, most clubs have a hidden pot of gold and don't partake! That gold is found in your past directors and officers who fulfilled duties they were given, and were thanked and then most forgotten. Seek their advice. Ask for their participation. You might be — no, you **WILL** be richer for it!

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UNCOMFORTABLE CHAIR —

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SEPTEMBER 20

BEEVILLE COIN CLUB, 14th annual show, Bee County College Student Center, U.S. Hiway 1B1 at Charco Rd. **BOURSE**: Edward F. Brown, Box 209, Beeville 7B102.

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OCTOBER 3-4

AUSTIN COIN CLUB, annual show, Quality Inn South. **WRITE**: Club, Box 1225, Austin 78767.

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OCTOBER 17-18

AMARILLO COIN CLUB, Fall Coin Show, Civic Center. **CONTACT**: Nela Runkle, 4304 Jennie Ave., Amarillo 79106.

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TEXOMALAND COIN & STAMP CLUB, 9th annual show, Hotel Denison. **WRITE**: Col. Chas. A. Wingo, Rt. 2 Box 109, Denison 75020.

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Copies may be ordered from Frederick Fell Publishers, Inc., 386 Park Avenue South, New York, N.Y. 10016 at $9.95 (cloth) and $5.95 (paper).

New Collector's Mistakes Described In Publication

Walt Mullins of De Soto, Tx. recently completed a handbook entitled "Everything I Should Have Known About Buying Coins" and is available to other collectors. Mullins wrote of his experiences as an aid to other beginning collectors of coins to help them avoid the many mistakes he made when he began buying coins three years ago.

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The eagle is also an important symbol in Mexico and is used on coins like the popular gold bullion "Centenario" or 50 pesos piece purchased in America for investment purposes and considered one of the most beautiful high-circulation gold coins in the world. The coin bears an eagle, perched on a prickly pear tree with a snake in its mouth - a well-known symbol of the founding of Tenochtitlan, or today's Mexico City.

Both the U.S. and Mexico use their "Freedom Fighters" on coins. George Washington, "The Father of Our Country," appears on numerous coins from the common quarter to many commemorative issues of high value to coin enthusiasts.

Don Miguel Hidalgo holds a similar position in Mexico. He earned the title of "Father of Mexican Independence" by promoting the same spirit of freedom that led our colonists to revolt against England.

Hidalgo, captured and executed for his heroic efforts, is honored on a series of three Mexican gold bullion coins. The "Hidalgo" coins, Mexico's 10, 5 and $2\frac{1}{2}$ peso gold pieces, represent the first time that the likeness of a national hero appears on Mexican coinage. These particular coins are popular choices with American consumers who have used them for many years to create beautiful jewelry items.

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President Andrew Johnson used one of the offices in the Treasury Department building on the third floor as his office immediately following the assassination of President Lincoln to allow Mrs. Lincoln to move from the White House unhurried. A picture of a Cabinet Meeting held in that room testifies to this unusual arrangement.

During the American Revolution the Continental Congress issued bank notes payable in "Spanish Milled Dollars" (a generic name used in North America for both Spanish and Latin American gold coin currency) letters of exchange drawn on the Congress also had to be paid in pesos. After independence the United States created a new currency by resolution in 1785. At that time the value of our dollar was set equal to the Mexican peso.

Croatian Society Notes Anniversary

By
Ekrem Spahich
CPS Founder

Today's tremendous enthusiasm for stamps and coins of Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia, Yugoslavia and Central Europe-Balkan areas is due in large measure to the activities of the Croatian Philatelic Society.

The CPS is a non-profit organization, devoted to the study of, and to the exchange of information on Croatian and related postal issues, postal history and numismatism. The specialty group was founded in the spring of 1972, in Borger, Texas.

Its members' interests cover all of the stamps, post cards, coins, currency, maps and military decorations of the entire Central Europe-Balkan areas.

The organization's official publication, the award winning "Trumpeter," is edited by Charles Glavanic of London, Ontario, a prominent Croatian-Canadian Philatelic writer. The illustrated quarterly journal carries articles on philately and numismatics as well as news of the CPS and its members scattered in 26 different countries around the world. It is sent free to members four times a year.

Each year the Society holds meetings and exhibitions, usually in conjunction with a national or regional show.

In addition, local chapters and study groups for various Central Europe-Balkan areas have been established.

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A cordial invitation to join the Croatian Philatelic Society and participate in its activities is extended by the organization to anyone having an interest in this philatelic-numismatic field.

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